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Vicki Brooker photo

Sharpshooter showdown

Annie Oakley isn't giving up her title as the sharpest shooter in the land to the likes of Frank Butler, no matter how the rivalry sidelines their love for each other. Caitlin Tazzer as the sharpshooting spitfire and Ian Brousseau as her stubborn rival for the title face off near the final curtain falls on "Annie Get Your Gun."

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Solar lights studied for walking trail

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

It's been a long winter in Elk Point, and "anything we can do to green it up, we will." That was Coun. Eugene Buck's response to a letter from the business community delivered to last week's town council meeting by chamber of commerce president Sandy Smith.

"We promote the use of green products and practices when we can, and we're very strongly urging that you look at solar for the 50th Ave. lighting," Smith said. "We would like, in the long run, to be known as a town that runs on green energy and that recycles."

She noted that installation of traditional lighting would require trenching for underground wiring, and would also be followed by power bills. "Install solar and that's it for 50,000 hours. I admire this council for their fiscal responsibility, but we have to start somewhere" towards energy-saving products, she noted.

"The town and council are very keen on the environmental theme and to augment it, and to look at solar lighting," Buck assured her.

Smith also inquired if a decision had been made regarding positioning of the walking trail on the north or south side of 50 Ave, and agreed with town manager Myron Goyan, who said the south side would be safer, as walkers would not have to cross 50 Ave. at the corner west of town. He also reported that the road allowance is wide enough to accommodate a walking trail.

Later in the meeting, Goyan gave council a rundown on the costs of installing and operating lighting on 54 St., which would require six lights, and 50 Ave., with nine lights. Yearly power costs to light 54 St. from Railway Ave. to Hwy 646 were estimated at \$2,410.56, and for 50 Ave. from 54 St. to Range Road 71, an estimated \$3,688.20 per year. Goyan also had estimates for the cost of additional lights at various locations in town and for 50 Ave. east of Elk Point Truss.

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Canada Day Idol confirmed for July 1 schedule

Multicultural entertainment planned for afternoon stage show

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

The Canada Day Idol competition will once again be an integral part of Elk Point's Canada Day celebrations on July 1. Coordinator Dee Pankiw says that to date, she has "one entry, no prizes and maybe sound. I'll get on it."

Pankiw is planning some modifications to streamline the entry process this year, with a shorter window of opportunity for contestants to submit their entries. With Pankiw's long history of producing top-notch talent competitions, her fellow members on the Canada Day committee are confident that the show will not only go on, but will be another major success.

Other good news for the committee at their March 31 meeting was confirmation that the Elk Point Ukrainian Dance Club will be part of the afternoon show on the Alberta Centennial Stage. The committee is hoping to have other cultural dancers take part as well, along with vocalists and musicians.

The committee's chosen sound system provider has "penciled us in for the stage show and Canada Day Idol," according to committee secretary-treasurer Deanna Easthope. While it has not yet been confirmed, the committee is also hoping to have a second stage show in the Servus Credit Union parking lot, featuring youth-oriented music.

Five food venues are also confirmed, with the chamber of commerce preparing their traditional pancake breakfast, the Skating Club operating the arena concession, the Elks Lodge again hosting their beef-on-a-bun supper, the Christian Community Church setting up their pie tent and the Allied Arts offering snacks prior to Canada Day Idol. Two other potential food venues are yet to be confirmed.

Laverne Wilson reported that his program of children's activities are "coming along" and his volunteer roster is in place. He and Dave Pilisko have also been hashing out details for this year's Farm Survival Challenge, he noted.

The fireworks display has also been confirmed as the final event for the packed day of family-style fun.

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Power Merchants receives recognition

Review Staff

A local recreational vehicle dealer received recognition from one of its suppliers for good sales and a high rate of customer satisfaction on Thursday. Power Merchants in St. Paul earned the Bombardier Recreational Products' (BRP) dealer of the year award for sales and customer satisfaction with the company's Spyder Roadster line.

"I really believe that Spyder is going to have equal industry prestige to the best of the machines out there," said Jerry Bidulock, owner of Power Merchants.

"We like to think of it as the next dimension in open air riding," said Alex Smith, district manager for BRB. "They're really stable, they're great for people that are just new to the sport. They're great for people that maybe have been on a motorcycle for a long time and they just don't feel confident on two wheels anymore."

The award went to Power Merchants not just because of

good sales, but also because of overall rate of customer satisfaction measured by surveys filled out by customers, noted Smith. The survey measures customer satisfaction on sales and service.

"We're giving this award because these guys look after their customers. They provide good service, they stock lots of parts, and we value them as one of the best dealers," praised Smith.

Smith also praised Power Merchant's employee Tyler Robertson for earning his master-technician's certificate for Ski-Doo products and recognized Robertson at the plaque ceremony on Thursday.

To achieve the certification, Robertson travelled to

Sherbrooke, Quebec, to BRB headquarters, where he spent a week learning the nuts and bolts of Ski-Doo machines.

Robertson had to have worked in the industry for at least five years and with his present employer for two years to qualify for the program. He also must take periodic testing throughout the year to maintain the certification. Robertson plans to go back to earn the master-technicians certificates for Sea-Doo watercrafts and Roadster Spyders.

Smith says only the best of the best get awarded master-technician.

"He's dedicated to his work. He's very aware of all the elements of the highest level of achievement for the purposes of servicing and maintaining machines," said Bidulock.



Tim Banman photo

Tyler Robertson receives his master-technician certificate for Ski-Doo products from BRP's Alex Smith on Thursday.



Tim Banman photo

RECOGNITION - Owner of Power Merchants Jerry Bidulock recognizes his staff as the dealership receives an award from BRP on Thursday. From left: Chris Schuh, Josh Scarlet, Stephanie Wizniuk, Francois Chamberland, Tyler Robertson, Cody Gadowsky, Alex Smith (BRP), Jerry Bidulock, Chantal Michaud, Lyrrisa Shewchuk, Moise Mallet, Barnabas Arnett, Michael Kissack, Dwight Melnyk, Loretta Boulianne, Matt Rudyk.

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Elk Point Elks host District Meeting

Elks Lodge members from Hairy Hill, Lac La Biche, Myrnam, St. Paul and Vegreville traveled to Elk Point on Saturday, March 26 for the District Meeting. A total of 30 Elks took part in the meeting, dinner and social hour at the Elk Point Elks Hall.



Solar lights

(Continued from Front Page)

Economic development coordinator Bob Bezpalko reported that he had spoken with the County of Camrose, which installed a solar street light in Round Hill and are "very happy with it. They went with the battery that is good to -50 degrees, and said they saved \$500 in power for the year" for the light, which cost them \$7,000.

Council agreed they should take a serious look at solar lighting for the walking trail areas, and should meet with the solar light supplier to find out more about the product.

"There would be an electricity charge forever (on conventional lighting), and it would go up," Coun. Buck said.

Tax incentive

Town council's counter-proposal on tax incentives has received approval from the Economic Development

Committee and was back before council, where Deputy Mayor Dwayne Yaremkevich asked for comments.

"I agree we do need new businesses and residential development. I agree with it as presented," Coun. Bernice Capjack said.

"I think we should do it," added Coun. Buck.

"I don't think (changes to the existing incentives) is necessary, but I'll agree," said Coun. Ron Fraess.

A motion to approve the new initiatives, which include tax exemptions of 100, 5025 and 25 per cent respectively for the first four years on new residential construction and three years at 100 per cent for new business construction, was passed unanimously.

EDC appointment

The appointment of Jason Conlin to the Economic Development Committee received coun-

cil's approval.

Show and shine

Council agreed to participate in the outdoor market that is planned in conjunc-

tion with the Elk Point Auto Club Show and Shine, June 4, considering that this is a good opportunity to showcase the community.

County prepares to pass budget

By SHAUNA BURKE
Review Contributor

The County of St. Paul council expects to present the 2010-year end financial statement and to pass their 2011 budget at the County council meeting on April 12. Until the 2011 budget is passed, the County operates with the 2010 budget as its interim budget, said CAO Sheila Kitz.

The County of St. Paul's year-end is in December and it takes three months to complete

the finalized financial statement, which will be released to the public on next Tuesday.

The 2010 budget projected an increase in both personal and residential tax revenue but a decrease in commercial tax revenue, according to the budget on the County of St. Paul website. The 2010 budget projected a net decrease in revenue from taxes from the 2009 financial statement.

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Trip of the month winners

By ELK POINT COMMUNITY LIONS

This month, all of the Trip of the Month winners were from Elk Point. There was even a repeat winner - yes, the very same ticket that was drawn first in January was drawn second in March! Remember that your ticket could also win more than once!

Our winners are: trip to Las Vegas, Nevada -

Rodney and Christine Graus, \$100 second prize - Brandi and Lyndon Krankowsky and \$100 third prize - Catherine Campbell.

The next draw is April 29 for Temple Mountain Spa at Lake Louise.

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Permit No. 11-D0023

Location: Lot 1, Block 2, Plan 8221194

S.E. 22-56-4-W4M, Laurier Lake

Accessory building to be located 10 feet from the west property line instead of 25 feet.

Permit No. 11-D0024

Location: Lot 3, Block 1, Plan 4590NY

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Permit No. 11-D0025

Location: Lot 7, Block 1, Plan 2104MC

S.W. 22-56-4-W4M, Laurier Lake

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The appeal letter must contain at least one reason for appeal and if the development permit is a permitted use under the land use bylaw, no appeal applies unless the provisions of the bylaw were relaxed, varied or misinterpreted in the decision of the Development Authority. The appeal fee is \$200.00 (refundable if appeal is successful).

April 5, 2011

Krystle Fedoretz
Development Authority Officer



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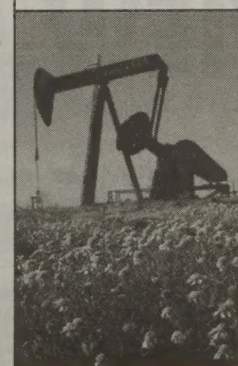
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EDITORIAL

Curtain call

It's time for the Elk Point Community Choir and Friends to step forward and take a much-deserved bow.

Once again they have brought huge crowds to town with their dinner theatre performances, a series of hits that now stretches out to 18 of the 21 years the choir has been together.

What a glorious tradition of music and drama they have created over the years, as they performed everything from comedy spoofs, such as "Get Smart" and "Vacancy in Paradise" to serious drama, including "Les Miserables" and "Fiddler on the Roof" - the latter twice - to classics like "Oklahoma!" and "Anne of Green Gables."

Elk Point has been privileged to have such talent on their doorsteps, and to have shared it with surrounding communities. A standing ovation to all of you!

YOUR VIEWS

Peewee silver, Phantom, Mockteerah stars

HERE'S THE NEWS THAT MADE THE HEADLINES IN THE LAKELAND REVIEW AND ELK POINT REVIEW FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 5 IN...

1986

An 11-8 victory over Coronation in the semi-finals sent Elk Point Co-op Peewees to the finals against Mayerthorpe at Peewee 'C' Hockey Provincials in Provost, where they claimed the silver medals, an achievement that Co-op manager Rodger McLaughlin termed "fantastic" for the team's first-ever Provincials. Elk Point Chamber of Commerce was puzzled over the disappearance of their large, colourful and fringe-decked banner, which had not been seen since the previous Canada Day.

1991

Darlene and Calvin Kozicky and family were named the first-ever Conservation Farm Family by the County of St. Paul, which was taking a growing interest in soil conservation. Elk Point Chamber of Commerce joined forces with Norcen Energy Resources to give a new generation an insight into the business world, after hearing a presentation from June McDonald, president of Junior Achievement for northern Alberta.

1996

Five sellout crowds enjoyed Elk Point Community Choir and Friends' rendition of "The Phantom of the Op'ry" as it told the story of an elderly op'ry house with a resident phantom who "enjoys being a ghoul" and causing difficulties for the stars and staff. Elk Point Skating Club staged a speeded-up armchair travelogue with their concert, "Around the World in 90 Minutes."

2001

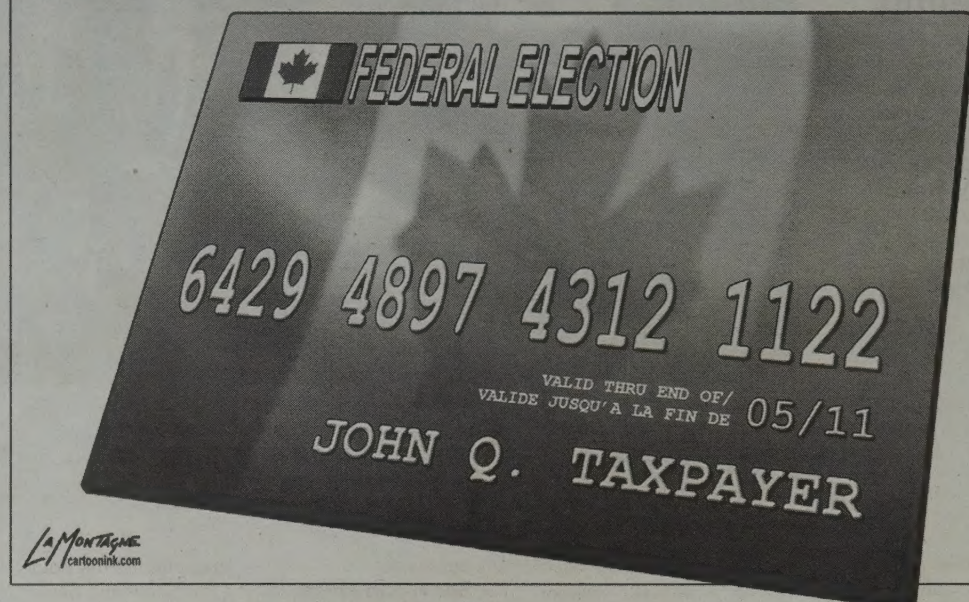
Susan, Joe and Adrian MacKinnon and Marlene Malachowski won the Town and Country Funspiel over Ed and Colleen Irvine and Richard and Sheila Nelson. Donations came from as far away as Pennsylvania and Washington state to help 14-year-old Jeff Young travel to the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota for further testing on his rare form of epilepsy.

2006

Four accomplished young musicians from the band Mockteerah shone bright at the Northern Star Search, winning first place in the Youth category with an original song, "Heathen." Business licenses needed by all businesses operating within town limits were returning to Elk Point, after being downgraded by a previous council to a requirement only for out-of-town businesses coming to the community to provide goods or services.

CREDIT CARD DEBT: CANADIANS ARE STILL SPENDING MONEY THEY DON'T HAVE ON STUFF THEY DON'T NEED.

GEE, WONDER WHERE THEY GOT THAT IDEA FROM.



GUEST COLUMN

Election decision

The 2011 Canadian federal election is scheduled for May 2, 2011. After Members of Parliament voted on March 25, 2011 on the Liberals' motion of no confidence that found the Conservative minority government in contempt of parliament, Prime Minister Stephen Harper advised Governor General David Johnston to issue writs of election, which was done on March 26. The 2008 federal election resulted in a second consecutive Conservative minority government. The first, elected during the 2006 federal election, lasted nearly three years and became the longest-standing minority parliament in Canadian history.

In total there are 308 seats in the House of Commons of Canada. 155 seats are needed for a majority. Currently, Stephen Harper, Conservative has 143 seats (37.65%); Michael Ignatieff, Liberal has 77 seats (26.26%); Gilles Duceppe, Bloc Québécois 49 seats (9.98%); Jack Layton, New Democrat 37 seats (18.18%) and Elizabeth May, Green 0 seats (6.78%). It is noted that currently, there are 2 seats belonging to independents and no affiliation (1.15%).

Since this election has been called, one main question regarding procedure is how was it done? In other words, what is meant when they say "in contempt of parliament" and what is "writ of election"?

Actions which can constitute a contempt of Parliament vary, but typically include such things as:

Deliberately misleading a House of Parliament or a parliamentary committee;

Refusing to testify before, or to produce documents to, a House or committee; and

Attempting to influence a Member of Parliament, for

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example, by bribery or threats.

In reference to the "writ of election", the definition is: "A writ of election in Canada is a

government document ordering an election, either a general election or a by-election. For Canadian federal elections, the date set for an election must be at least 36 days after the issuance of the election writ."

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EASTHOPE

from the FCSS desk



Now the big question needs to be asked. What caused this important motion to be made? March 21, 2011, a House of Commons Committee recommends that the Conservative government be found in contempt of parliament.

March 22, 2011, the 2011 federal budget is presented in the House of Commons. All three opposition parties state they will not support it. March 23, 2011, Michael Ignatieff introduces a no-confidence motion against the government on the contempt charge. Gilles Duceppe and Jack Layton say they will support it. March 25, 2011, the Liberal Party no-confidence motion passes the House 156-145, causing Prime Minister to motion for the House to adjourn. March 26, 2011, Governor General David Johnston agrees to dissolve the 40th Canadian Parliament following a meeting with Prime Minister Stephen Harper.

This is all well and good, but when we turn on our television sets or listen to radio, what do we hear? I am afraid we hear leaders hollering and screaming at each other. What are they saying? It reminds me of the following song that Annie Oakley and Frank Butler sing:

Anything you can do,
I can do better.
I can do anything
Better than you.
No, you can't
Yes, I can. No, you can't.
Yes, I can. No, you can't.
Yes, I can.
Yes, I can!

What this all means, is that you and I are now left to decide which political party can do it better. We need to go past the hollering and screaming and learn what they really can do. But VOTE!

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Canada



Chief Napewaew Comprehensive School students continued their tradition of winning multiple medals when they competed in Saskatoon last month.

Photo Submitted

Four candidates run for federal seat

By SHAUNA BURKE
Review Contributor

After a non-confidence vote in parliament on Friday, March 25 the airspace across the country was filled with politicians travelling from Ottawa back to their home ridings, including Westlock-St. Paul MP Brian Storseth. Canadians will be heading to the polls on May 2 to vote in a federal election for the fourth time in seven years.

"I am looking forward to spending the next 38 days back home in the riding, talking to Albertans about their concerns," said Storseth. "We didn't want an election, we thought we had a very good budget that we should be up here passing. We had no choice because the opposition decided to vote us down, but we are ready."

Federal Conservatives continue to accuse the Liberals, NDP and Bloc Québécois of forming a coalition with the intent to bring down the government.

"It's very clear that these guys had their minds made up before this budget was ever tabled," Storseth said.

The Harper government was defeated in the House of Commons following a non-confidence motion declaring the government in contempt of Parliament put forward by the Liberals. The motion passed by a vote of 156 to 145.

The other political parties lost confidence in the Conservatives ability to lead, said Rob Fox, Liberal candidate for Westlock-St. Paul. He accused the Harper government of refusing to disclose an accurate price of the F-35 fighter planes and the full cost of crime bills.

"How can you vote on money matters if they won't produce realistic costs?" questioned Fox.

Fox began his campaign in Cold Lake on the March 26 weekend, saying that if elected, the Liberals will bring more transparency and openness to the operations of the federal government.

"Over the last five years, this government has gotten more and more secretive,"

said Fox, adding that the Liberals will reveal more details of their platform over the next few weeks.

Storseth said that he plans on campaigning on the Conservative record of responsible fiscal planning.

"We have a story of tax reduction over the last five years, a story of job growth over the last couple of years. It has been a strong economic story as well as an overall good conservative message that our prime minister has been moving forward with," said Storseth.

The only thing both parties agree upon is the wish for residents to turn out in large numbers to vote on May 2.

The Green Party and the NDP party have also announced that they will have candidates for the federal election running in the Westlock-St. Paul constituency.

stituency.

Lisa Grant, from Morinville, said that she is putting her name forward with the Green Party because she agrees with all the party policies, including, environment, economy, culture and community policies. Her campaign will be based on three ideas, "sustainability, accountability and efficiency," because they are the terms that best represent the Green Party, she said.

"The Green message is very important in this day and age," said Grant, adding, that she put her name forward because, "I wanted to vote Green and I wanted to give the other 100,000 people living in this riding a chance to vote Green too."

Lyndsey Henderson has been confirmed as the candidate for the NDP party.

Track medals for CNCS

By TAMMY LONG
Review Contributor

On the weekend of March 18th, the Chief Napewaew Comprehensive School track and field team attended the Saskatoon Kinsmen Indoor Championships at the Saskatoon Fieldhouse in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

In the Pee Wee Girls Division, Hellen Wade, Jordan Cardinal, Ally Berland and Chante Berland received gold medals for relay. Tori Dion, Bobbi Quinney, Cree-anna Quinney and Kierra Saddleback won silver medals for relay as well. Bobbi Quinney also won a bronze medal in the 600-meter race. In the Pee Wee Boys Division Colton Moyah, Ayden Abraham, Kierran Potts and Hayden Quinney won gold medals for the boys' relay race. Jeremy Paul, Matthew Paul, Kach Waskahat and Craig Dion received silver medals for relay in the same division.

In the Bantam Boys Division, Riley Berland, Lazarus Gadwa, Grayson Quinney and Ashton Saddleback obtained silver medals in relay. Ashton Saddleback also won a silver medal in the High Jump Competition.

In the Midget Men's Division, George Stanley won a gold medal for the Weight Throw competition

and Lovell Berland won a silver medal in the same competition. In the Bantam Boys Division Lazarus Gadwa won a gold medal in the Weight Throw Competition and Grayson Quinney won a silver medal. Layne Stanley won a bronze medal in weight Throw in the Men's Division. In the Bantam Girls Division, Dante Quinney won a gold medal for the Weight Throw Competition and Timera Quinney won a silver medal. In the Bantam Boys Division, Dean Quinney won a silver medal in Shot

Put and in the Bantam Girls Division, Jennille Berland won a bronze medal in Shot Put. In the Women's Midget Division, Tessa Quinney won a gold medal for the Weight Throw Competition, Justice Potts won a silver medal and Cecily Swampy won a bronze medal in the same competition.

In the Men's Division, Tommy Quinney received his masters' card for track and field competition in Canada. He has been invited to Toronto and Sacramento for their track and field events.

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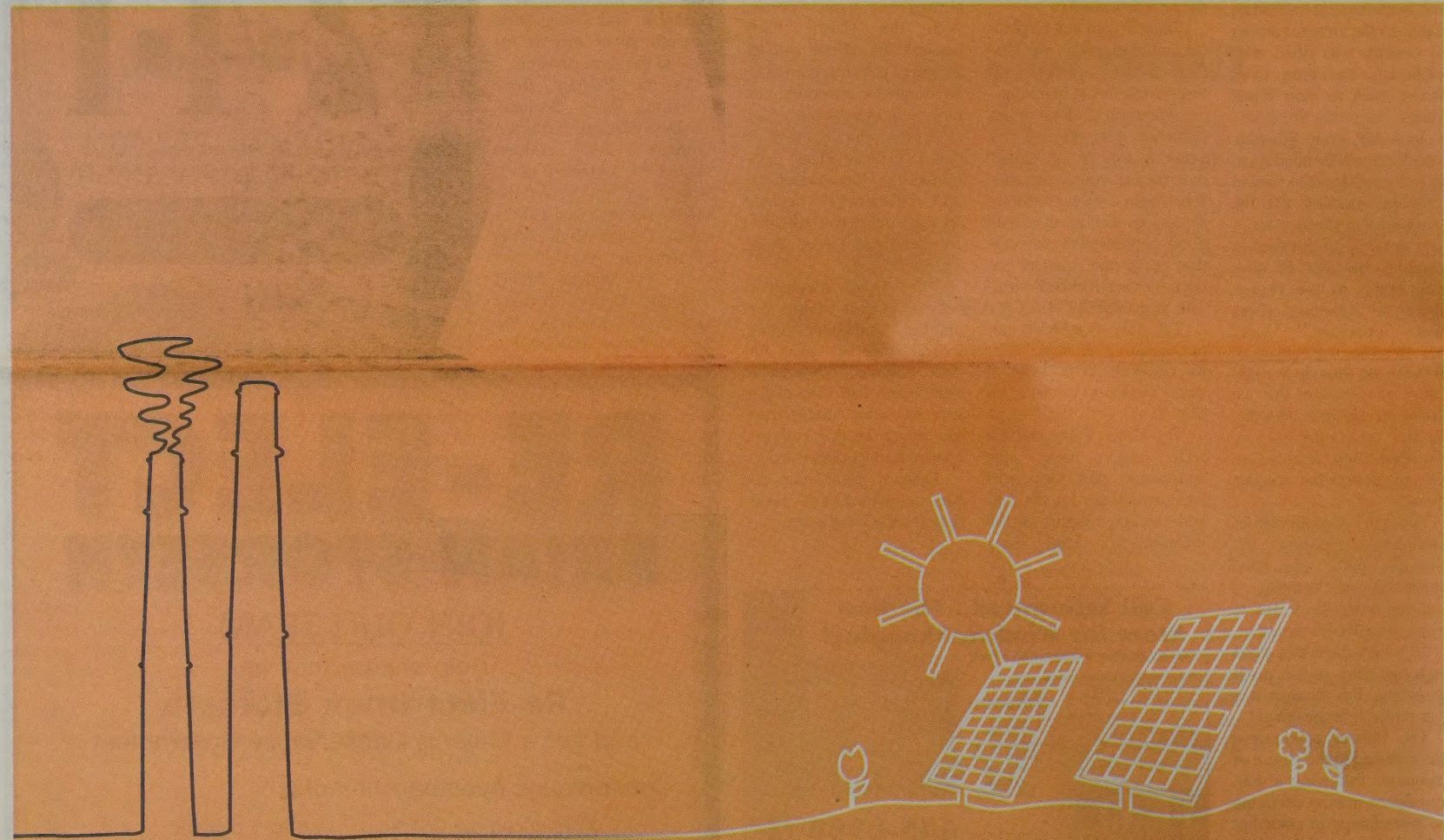


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Annie Oakley (Caitlin Tazzer) turns entrepreneur, offering to supply the hotel owner (Roger Cox) with quail, ducks and grouse for his kitchen, with a little help from her siblings (Mickayla Chamberland, Kamryn Coleman and Bryce Osinchuk).



Promoter Charlie Davenport (Shaun Sheplaw) rallies the troops (Doris Osinchuk, Brianna White, Pat Lotsberg, Martin Dion, Millie Orr and Lawrence Pidluzny) to make sure everyone knows Buffalo Bill's show is in town.



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Sharpshooter showdown on Allied Arts stage

Irving Berlin's 1946 wild west classic entertains six dinner theatre audiences

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Two months less two days short of 65 years after "Annie Get Your Gun" opened at New York's Imperial Theatre, with Ethel Merman in the title role and Ray Middleton as Frank Butler, and 60 years and 11 days after the movie, starring Betty Hutton and Howard Keel won an Oscar for Best Music Score; Irving Berlin's world-famous musical opened at Elk Point Arts and Leisure Centre for a six-night dinner theatre run.

The Elk Point Community Choir and Friends version of the timeless classic stars Caitlin Tazzer as Annie Oakley, a simple country girl who grew up "Doin' What Comes Naturally," and can shoot the fuzz off a peach or the bird off Buffalo Bill Cody's Wild West Show promoter Dolly Tate's (Dixie Coleman's) hat with equal ease.

That skill catches the attention of Buffalo Bill (Udo Mueller), his show manager Charlie Davenport (Shaun Sheplaw) and even hard-hearted hotel owner Foster Wilson (Roger Cox), but doesn't endear her to Buffalo Bill's star sharpshooter Frank Butler (Ian Brousseau), who says, "The girl that I marry... will have to be... as soft and sweet as a nursery..." He doesn't take her seriously as a shootout rival, either, although she swears, "I don't shoot like a girl - I shoot like a man."

Annie's siblings, Mickayla Chamberland, Kāmryn Coleman and Bryce Osinchuk, shined up her guns, and Annie's quick trigger finger didn't fail her. She won the competition, but had to reluctantly agree, "You Can't Get a Man With a Gun."

She didn't get the man, but her prowess got her an invitation from Charlie and Buffalo Bill to join the show, where she soon found out, "There's No Business Like Show Business." After Annie and her siblings took their first train ride with the show troupe, a journey during which Chief Sitting Bull's (Steven Booth) tribe members, Mrs. Little Horse (Millie Orr) and Mrs. Black Tooth (Pat Lotsberg) made themselves very much at home in Miss Dolly's private rail car, they arrived in Minneapolis to find out a rival wild west show, run by Pawnee Bill (Shilo Salzmann) was opening right across the river in St. Paul.

Annie learned a new act, doing shooting tricks from a motorcycle, which made her a

star, and prompted the Chief to adopt her into the Sioux tribe. Her success sent Frank into a major pout that made him leave the show and offer his talents to Pawnee Bill.

Buffalo Bill's entourage toured Europe, but even 26 command performances couldn't keep up with the bills for 62,000 chocolate éclairs, and even though Annie came back with a chest full of medals, they found themselves heading back into New York on a cattle boat.

Pawnee Bill was packing them in to Madison Square Gardens and wanted to welcome them home with a big party, which Buffalo Bill, the Chief and Charlie thought might be a good time to approach him about combining the shows. All the finest people were there, including John Gottenbos, Martin Dion, Dorothy Tazzer, Lawrence Pidluzny, Velma Hudson, Mabel Gottenbos, Irene Krochmal, Brianna White and Doris Osinchuk, but Pawnee Bill's show wasn't making any more money than their rivals. Not only that, but Frank still preferred that his ladies "wear satins and laces and smell of cologne," and while Annie might fit that criteria on a good day, she still vowed that while she might love and honour, she was sure as shootin' "not going to obey." She also wasn't ready to concede that Frank is the better shooter, because "I got all these medals that say you ain't."

There's no way around it - she and the hotshot were just going to have to shoot it out to settle the issue once and for all.

Dolly wasn't about to take any chances with the outcome, and set out to do a little subtle sabotaging of Annie's treasured rifle. Charlie and Sitting Bull caught her in the act and Sitting Bull offered to scalp her, but after thinking about it, they decided this might be the only way for Annie and Frank to realize that there's more to life than competition.

Unable to hit the broad side of a barn door, Annie finally conceded that Frank just might be the better marksman, and gave him her medals, which he reluctantly accepted, and hastily turned over to Buffalo Bill to finance the continuation of the wild-west show, where the two lovebirds could both perform.

As the entire cast said, as Saturday night's curtain fell on another successful season of dinner theatre, there really is "No Business Like Show Business."



Dressed in satin and lace and smelling of cologne, Annie Oakley is almost Frank Butler's dream girl... but what are all these medals? Could it be that she really is the better shot of this dynamic duo? Can Frank's fragile ego take that kind of competition from the woman he adores, or will her prowess once again prove that "You Can't Get a Man With a Gun."



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Sioux Chief Sitting Bull is proud to call the beautiful and talented Annie Oakley his adopted daughter and a valued addition to his tribe, and she is equally proud to dress in the ornate fringed buckskin and bear tooth necklace and take part in the adoption ceremony.



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F. G. Miller Grade 9 Honour Roll recipients were: Jarred Loughran, 95 per cent; Madeline Ludlage, 93 per cent; Dayle Oster, 90 per cent; Russell Ference, 89 per cent; Meagan Kinaschuk (not shown), 88 per cent; Sara Harms, 87 per cent; Brayden Vinge, 85 per cent; and Dustin Demers, Cale Henderson and Robyn Ziomek, all 83 per cent.



Grade 10 students with honours on courses completed in the first semester were: Tia Lowry, 89 per cent average, Science 10 - 91 per cent, Social 10-1 - 81 per cent; Katrina MacLellan, 88 per cent average, English 10-2 - 87 per cent, Science 14 - 89 per cent; Katie Magosse, 87 per cent, Math 10 - 91 per cent, Social 10-2 - 83 per cent; Taylor Cochrane, 84 per cent, Science 10 - 84 per cent, Social 10 - 81 per cent; Mandy Berg, 82 per cent average, Science 10, 83 per cent, Social 80 per cent; Ashley Wozniak, 81 per cent average, Science 10 - 82 per cent, Social 10 - 79 per cent; Charly Frisby, Science 10-2 - 81 per cent; A J Braconnier, Math 10-3 - 80 per cent; Suzy Tetlock, Science 14 - 80 per cent.

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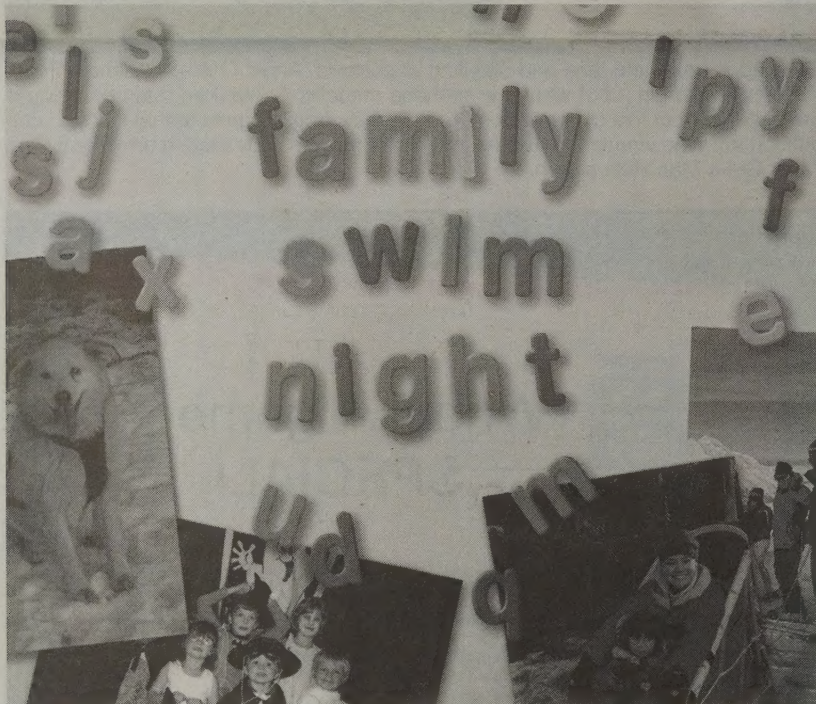
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Grade 11 students achieving honour roll status were: Kelsey Lindquist, 94 per cent average, Biology 20 - 94 per cent, English 20-1 - 90 per cent, Pure Math 20 - 97 per cent; Josh Aarbo, 84 per cent average, Biology 20 - 86 per cent, English 20-1 - 82 per cent, Pure Math 20 - 84 per cent; Kelsey Vinge, English 20-1 - 85 per cent; Bailey Oster, English 20-1 - 80 per cent; not shown - Justin Anderson, English 20-2 - 80 per cent. Grade 12 honour students shown are Seanna Ewasiuk, 84 per cent average, English 30-1 - 83 per cent, Pure Math 30 - 83 per cent, Social 30-1 - 86 per cent; and Brendan Bishop, 84 per cent average, English 30-1 - 81 per cent, Pure Math 30 - 87 per cent, Social 30-1 - 84 per cent.

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Two of our local boys who started their hockey careers in Elk Point were selected at the tryout in Vegreville on the weekend of March 26 and 27th. Ryley Wozniak and Zachary Ference, who by the way are second cousins, related on their mother's side, have made the cut. A total of 118 players attended the tryout in Vegreville, only 20 players made the team, six defenseman, 12 forwards and two goalies all born in 1996 will be playing on the very elite Northeast Flyers.

The 5 foot 7, 160 lbs, defenseman Zachary Ference played here until 2003/04 when his parents Lawrence and Maureen moved to Bonnyville. Zack played in Lloydminster this past season with the AAA bantam team in the Alberta Major Bantam League, playing against teams from across the province. The stay at home defenseman has a solid frame, is tough to move and a real digger in the corners. One special highlight of the year for Zack was when he was called up during the playoffs for the Lloydminster Midget AAA 16-year-old team to play for an injured player and according to his coach, who I happen to know personally, he filled the spot with no problem at all. Zack also comes from a very good gene pool, his cousin Andrew Ference who presently plays defense in the NHL for the Boston Bruins, played in the Alberta Cup and was named the team captain.

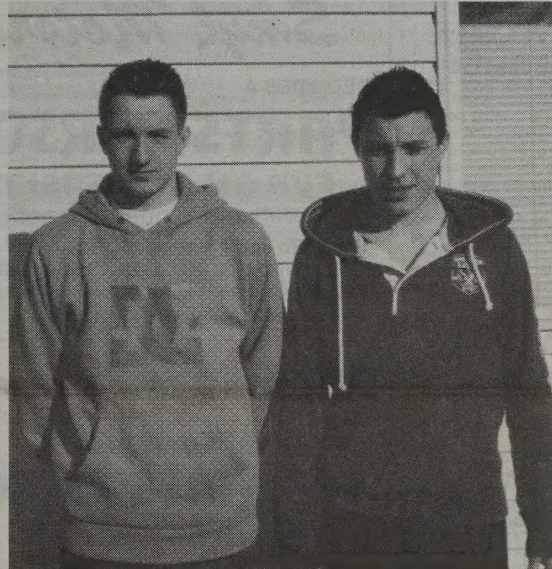
Ryley "the Coyote" Wozniak, as I like to call him, lives on the farm with his parents Vi and John. The 5 foot 8 center man, weighing about 160, played minor hockey here in Elk Point up until atoms. The last two years he has played

in Fort Saskatchewan for the Rangers on their AAA bantam team. Making one of these AAA teams as a first year, especially a player from out of town is quite a challenge. This hard-nosed center man has great skills and is known for his speed, determination and driving hard to the net through any kind of traffic. Special high light of the year for "the Coyote" was not only being named as team captain for the Rangers, but also being selected to the Alberta Major Bantam North All Star Team as well.

Good Luck in Lethbridge boys. We will have some more updates in a few weeks right after the tournament.

The sound of geese honking, gophers running around, water running and especially the sound of motorcycles, does this means spring is finally here? It's been a long time coming. Today you can register for ball at the Co-op from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. and tomorrow at the library from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

And now for the K.A. Campbell quote of the week. "In the beginning there was a word, and the word was" Play Ball." Last week's answer to: "It's tough to fly like an eagle, when you're surrounded by turkeys." -Don Cherry. Do you have a sports scoop? Now you can email them to sportshound007@hotmail.com



Ryley Wozniak (left) and Zachary Ference both started their hockey careers in Elk Point and have moved on to AAA level competition. Good luck in Lethbridge!

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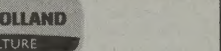
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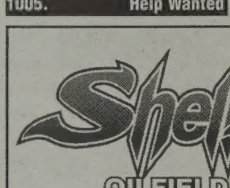
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Evergreen stuck with deficit

By SHAUNA BURKE
Review Contributor

Members of the Evergreen Regional Waste Commission are stuck with almost \$130,000 from the 2010 deficit.

The Town of St. Paul will pay 41.1 per cent of the cost, based on the amount of tonnage sent to Lafond landfill, while the County of St. Paul will pay 28.4 per cent, Town of Elk Point 10.7 per cent, County of Smoky Lake 11.1 per cent, and the Town of Smoky Lake 8.4 per cent.

Part of the deficit came from costs incurred to fight an appeal of an expansion approval in 2010.

The Alberta Environmental Appeals Board concluded that the original approval protected surface and groundwater resources in the area around the landfill, said the executive summary of the board's report. The board upheld the approval with conditions that Evergreen provide a written plan to ensure any potential uncontrolled releases will not reach off-site water bodies.

While Evergreen had asked the Beaver River Regional Waste Commission to contribute, Beaver River told the commission it did not feel responsible for the appeal or to pay the costs, said Evergreen manager Dennis Bergheim.

"The commission felt they shouldn't have to contribute because it's still part of the appeal cost that was related to them coming here, so they felt it wasn't fair for them to pay the deficit for this year (2010)," he said.

In the future, Beaver River will pay its share of any deficit, which would be around 60 per cent as it is the largest contributor to the landfill, he said.

Before Beaver River could haul to Lafond, Evergreen received approval from Alberta Environment to expand. The approval was appealed but regulations permitted Beaver River to continue to haul during the appeal.

While Evergreen does not expect another deficit in 2011, unforeseen costs could come up again, said Bergheim. "It's business as usual. Everything is running quite good."

Evergreen is working on the design for a new cell to be built in 2012.

The commission decided to increase tipping rates last fall because it expected the deficit, said Evergreen chairman and County of St. Paul Coun. Glen Ockermanß.

"Now everything is in place and we readjusted the tipping rate and hopefully we'll function with a balanced budget from here on forward," he said. The commission hopes building up into airspace will save money as the landfill